

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to air STOLEN HONOR, an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Airing a partisan presentation, under the guise of news, is a clear violation of balance in reporting. Please please take action, now and in the future to prevent this kind of partisan move in the public press. The FRONTLINE report (THE CHOICE) on Bush and Kerry is an excellent example of a balance in reporting. It IS possible to do a good, detailed, intelligent job of reporting on current issues and candidates. This is what I as a member of the public expect of the press.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve serious review of a media actions. Thank you.